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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC RISES 2.1 PERCENT IN MAY

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 16, 1992 -- Airline passenger traffic increased 2.1 percent in May compared with the same month last year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service, traffic fell 0.8 percent in May, while available seat miles were up 0.4 percent. The passenger load factor averaged 60.5 percent, down from 61.2 percent for May 1991. Passenger enplanements decreased 0.8 percent to 33.7 million.

In international service, traffic in May was up 10.5 percent. Available seat miles increased 20.1 percent. The load factor averaged 65.5 percent, falling from 71.2 percent for May 1991. 3.4 million passengers were enplaned in May 1992, up 4.1 percent from the same period last year.

For the first five months of 1992, domestic traffic decreased 1.0 percent, and available seat miles were up 1.6 percent. The load factor fell to 57.9 percent. Passenger enplanements were down 1.8 percent, with 156.8 million passengers.

International traffic for the first five months of 1992 was up 28.1 percent. Available seat miles climbed 22.1 percent, and the load factor averaged 65.3 percent, an increase from 62.2 percent last year. The number of passengers rose 17.0 percent to 15.9 million.

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PRELIMINARY SCHEDULED PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

MAY 1992 - 1991

	MAY			YEAR TO DATE		
	1992	1991	PERCENT CHANGE	1992	1991	PERCENT CHANGE
DOMESTIC						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	33,670	33,944	(.8)	156,787	159,686	(1.8)
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	27,330,083	27,561,837	(.8)	128,355,294	129,682,088	(1.0)
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	45,211,044	45,020,424	.4	221,642,030	218,220,683	1.6
LOAD FACTOR (%)	60.5	61.2		57.9	59.4	
INTERNATIONAL						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	3,371	3,238	4.1	15,874	13,567	17.0
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	10,513,826	9,517,702	10.5	48,139,814	37,571,067	28.1
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	16,052,433	13,369,460	20.1	73,712,585	60,375,766	22.1
LOAD FACTOR (%)	65.5	71.2		65.3	62.2	
TOTAL						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	37,041	37,182	(.4)	172,661	173,253	(.3)
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	37,843,909	37,079,539	2.1	176,495,108	167,253,155	5.5
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	61,263,477	58,389,884	4.9	295,354,615	278,596,449	6.0
LOAD FACTOR (%)	61.8	63.5		59.8	60.0	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICA WEST, AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AMERICAN, SOUTHWEST, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, ALASKA, ALOHA, HAWAIIAN, AND MIDWAY.

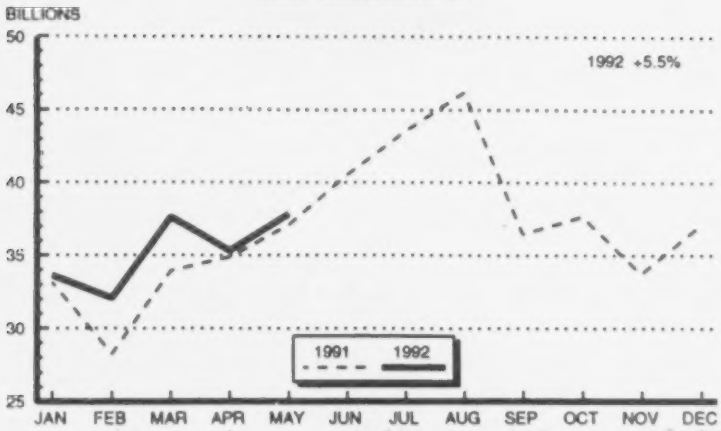
NOTE: HAWAIIAN NUMBERS ARE ESTIMATED.

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULED PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS

MONTH	REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE	AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE	LOAD FACTOR	PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE
1991							
January	33,122,285	(1.8)	58,138,799	(1.1)	57.0	33,239	(2.4)
February	28,250,887	(10.4)	50,232,971	(5.7)	56.2	30,741	(7.4)
March	33,909,607	(11.2)	56,681,410	(5.8)	59.8	35,850	(10.6)
April	34,890,337	(4.4)	55,153,385	(6.4)	63.3	36,241	(4.4)
May	37,079,539	(0.3)	58,389,884	(4.3)	63.5	37,182	(1.9)
June	40,520,470	(2.0)	60,228,843	(2.0)	67.3	38,956	(3.5)
July	43,535,541	(0.8)	63,941,255	(1.1)	68.1	41,106	(1.3)
August	46,185,842	(0.9)	64,737,215	(1.0)	71.3	42,925	(3.3)
September	36,470,419	(0.1)	59,538,782	(1.9)	61.3	34,604	(2.2)
October	37,683,000	0.6	61,048,393	(1.8)	61.7	37,159	(2.1)
November	33,762,251	(1.9)	57,597,691	(1.4)	58.6	33,870	(5.3)
December	37,053,311	3.6	59,116,724	(1.4)	62.7	36,671	2.5
TOTAL 1991	442,463,989	(2.4)	704,805,352	(2.8)	62.8	438,544	(3.5)
Jan – May	167,253,155	(5.6)	278,596,449	(4.6)	60.0	173,253	(5.4)
1992							
January	33,602,044	1.4	59,322,495	2.0	56.6	32,227	(3.0)
February	32,061,922	13.5	55,818,133	11.1	57.4	31,617	2.8
March	37,639,990	11.0	60,077,821	6.0	62.7	37,042	3.3
April	35,347,243	1.3	58,872,689	6.7	60.0	34,734	(4.2)
May	37,843,909	2.1	61,263,477	4.9	61.8	37,041	(0.4)
TOTAL 1992	176,495,108	5.5	295,354,615	6.0	59.8	172,661	(0.3)

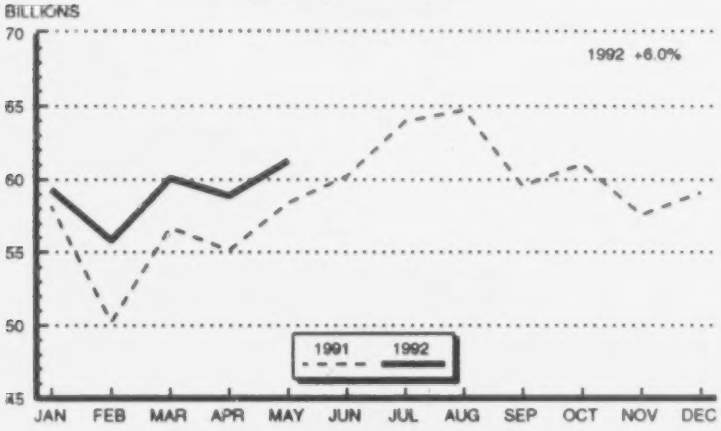
PASSENGER TRAFFIC

REVENUE PASSENGER MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



CAPACITY

AVAILABLE SEAT MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



LOAD FACTOR

PERCENT OF CAPACITY UTILIZED
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES